

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to clearly indicate that the paint utilized in the methods of the present application are tightly adherent to the material surface on which they are applied and are not subject to removal or discoloration as a result of exposure to hostile environmental conditions. The method is also amended to clearly indicate that the coated surface is placed into service in hostile environments where it may be subject to rain, snow and substrate paints, yet the paint must survive the conditions without causing a change as a result of those conditions that might otherwise mask or change the colors indicative of an impact.

CONCLUSION

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the Application as amended. No new matter has been added, and support for the amendments may be found, *e.g.*, in paragraph 16 of the Specification as filed. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are not anticipated by, nor rendered obvious in view of, any known art either alone or in combination and thus, are in condition for allowance. Thus, Applicant requests allowance of all pending claims in a timely manner. If the Examiner believes that prosecution of this Application could be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative.

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